

The Franklin School of Innovation Board Meeting Minutes – 2/12/2019

Our Mission:

The Franklin School of Innovation is preparing the next generation of leaders, capable of solving problems and participating effectively and ethically as local and global citizens. Through challenging academics, real-world learning, and community engagement, our students discover their potential, develop persistence, and recognize the value of others. Our graduates are ready for the future they will create.

Board Responsibilities:

We ensure The Franklin School of Innovation's compliance to its contract with the NC Department of Public Instruction, set and monitor the implementation of school policies, manage the school's annual budget and financial planning, and hire and evaluate the performance of our school's Executive Director. The Board develops and drives the School's strategic plan and provides appropriate governance.

Agenda Item	Minutes	Time
CALL TO ORDER The meeting was brought to		6:00 - 6:05
order by the Chairman of the Board, PH, at		
6:10 p.m.		
ROLL CALL The Board Chairman took roll of		
members present: DP, AB, KC, SR, MV, AG and		
TA.		
APPROVAL OF AGENDA Shall the Board		6:05 - 6:10
approve the Agenda Items? Motion by PF.		0.05 0.10
Second by DP. All voted to approve agenda		
CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES Shall the Board		
approve the minutes of the January Board		
Meeting? Motion by DP. Second by AB. All		
voted to approve minutes.		
PUBLIC COMMENT This agenda item is	No Public Comment	6:10 - 6:20
included for the purpose of giving anyone in		
attendance the opportunity to comment on a		
non-agenda item with the Board. There will be		
a three-minute time limit per person. The		
audience is not to applaud nor demonstrate		
disapproval for the comments made. The		
Board may respond asking for clarification		
only. No action may be taken at this meeting		
on any issue raised.	No staffing shangaa	
DIRECTORS UPDATE	No staffing changes. Charter update: not renewed yet, vote hasn't happened yet.	6:20 – 6:35
Summary of activities		
 Update on Staffing/Recruiting 		

• Enrollment	No single reason stands out as to why we have lost a few kids. Some are home schooled and have gone back to home schooling. Not much discipline needed in Jan. Budget: We're not overspending, but we have risks. We budgeted \$50,000 for capital campaign, but we did not get it. Annual Fund is at \$42,000. Our budget is \$45,000. Deanna is looking at 15 passenger vans. CDLs not required	
	for these vans. This would allow us to offer transportation to children from other areas. We need to find the funds for this or request van donation. Capital Campaign goal: Last year was the first year we had this in the budget. We have an event coming up on April 3, 2019, a fundraiser that is looking for higher value art pieces. There will also be a chair runway. This includes a story about FSI in Laurel of Asheville's March issue. Low cost event for us. Other campaign ideas? Car dealerships? We need to follow up with the companies we have given marketing folders to. New donors?	
	April suggested checking out the Chaddick Foundation (Suzanne Hudson) and the Beattie Foundation (Joel Adams) for sponsorships.	
UPDATE ON FENCE CONTRACT	Contract is just under \$5,000.	6:35 – 6:45
ANONYMOUS TIP LINE AB moved to proceed with using this app. SR seconded. DP asked to add to the motion that if David (FSI attorney) thinks there is a legal issue presented by this app, then we will re-evaluate this option. All voted to approve this motion with caveat.	Many students said that they don't know how to report bullying. Michelle thinks anonymous reporting is best. She has researched a tip line app: Anonymous Alert.	6:45 – 6:55
2019 – 2020 CALENDAR PF moved to approve the calendar. AG seconded. All voted to approve.		6:55 – 7:05
POLICY – TEACHERS BRINGING INFANTS TO SCHOOL	Michelle meets with the charter directors monthly. ArtSpace policy: teahers can bring babies to school for first 6 months. ArtSpace had a co-op nursery and school doesn't run it. FSI moms are using a co-op. Must have a lease so that it is clear that FSI isn't running it. Board to consider this.	7:05 – 7:15
SCHOOL CLINIC –BLUE RIDGE HEALTH	Blue Ridge Health does school clinics. They do physical and behavioral health. FSI contracts with Carolina Pediatric Therapy, who brings a therapist to school. There is a wait list for kids at FSI to be seen. BRH is state-funded, so it uses a sliding fee/no fee. We will have space in our new building for them to see students. There will be room for a nurse to come in to help with medical issues and do sports physicals. This will be implemented at the beginning of next year.	7:15 – 7:30
BUILDING UPDATE	We are still on track. 100 % of slabs are poured. 50% of first floor is poured. Remainder of floor will be poured this week. Stud walls are being installed on first floor. Roofing is 30% complete. No water is getting in the space any more. Next month they will patch and caulk, getting ready for water and sewer. Date for completion is Aug. 8. Security: concrete, bulletproof exterior walls. People will be buzzed in and out.	7:30 – 7:40
COMMITTEE REPORT - FINANCE	Current auditor is Rebecca Barr. Tia says the board voted long ago that we change auditors after 5 years. She now recommends that we put this off 1 year because of all the financial changes we're are going through. This is our fifth	7:40 – 7:50

	year, so we don't have to vote on it tonight. This will be her fifth audit. AB suggested we have a Board of Directors development committee at some point.	
COMMITTEE REPORT – MARKETING	No Report	7:50
ADJOURNMENT- The Board adjourned the		7:55
meeting at 7:55 p.m. Motion by PF. Second by		
DP. Vote: All voted to approve.		